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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>APPLICANT:</b>	<b>William D. Brown, et al.</b>	§	<b>ART UNIT NO.:</b> 1731
<b>FILED:</b>	<b>December 8, 2000</b>	§	<b>EXAMINER:</b> M. A. ELVE
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<b>TITLE:</b>	<i>Process and Apparatus for Sequential Multi-Beam Laser Processing of Materials</i>	§	<b>CONFIRMATION NO.:</b> 6102
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 18, 2002**

The Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of July 18, 2002, the following Amendments and  
Remarks are hereby submitted.

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